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University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust provide tertiary care for patients with burn injuries at the level of a Burns Facility. This care is provided by the Plastic Surgery department, which is based at Leicester Royal Infirmary, one of three main hospital sites providing acute services across Leicester. The catchment area for the plastic surgery department is the city of Leicester, the surrounding county of Leicestershire, Rutland and parts of Northamptonshire. Patients attending the emergency department of Leicester Royal Infirmary with burn injuries appropriate to be managed by a Facility are referred to the Plastic Surgery department. Those patients with injuries deemed beyond the capacity of a Facility are referred directly by the emergency department to the nearest Burns Unit or Centre within the Midlands region. (Nottingham University Hospitals and University Hospitals Birmingham / Birmingham Children's Hospital).

The Service

The plastic surgery department comprises six consultants with a lead clinician for burns who has overall responsibility for the delivery, management and development of the burns service. The burns team consists of the Lead Clinician, Specialist Nurses, Ward Managers for both adult and paediatric inpatient and outpatient areas. In addition, the multidisciplinary team benefits from Specialist Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy Staff and the service has input from and access to the following services:

- Service manager and administration
- Dietician
- Safe guarding
- Play specialist
- Psychology
- Social support
- Prosthetics
- Hospital school
- Pharmacy
- Camouflage
- Micropigmentation (Medical Tattooing)

As a Burns Facility, the majority of the burns workload at UHL is focused on outpatient facilities and services. The continuity for inpatient to outpatient care is enhanced by the utilisation of the Specialist Nursing Team and Outreach Services.

These services include

- Inpatients are cared for within Kinmonth Unit, Ward 7 and Ward 11.
 Daily Burns and Plastics Dressing Clinics
 Provision of an outreach service.

The UHL burns service is fortunate to be run by a team of motivated and cohesive individuals whose joint aim is to provide the best service to our patients.

The Burns Team 2015